

REMARKS

This Amendment:

Cancels claims 1-13;

Amends independent claims 14 and 18; and

Adds new claims 21-36.

Claims 14-36 are pending in the present application. The Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments to independent claims 14 and 18 render claims 14-20 patentable over the rejections of the Office Action mailed November 10, 2004. the Applicants also respectfully submit that each of claims 21-36 are supported by the original specification and patentable over the art of record.

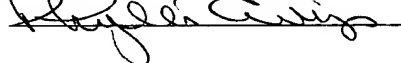
In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2025, under Order No. 10004560-1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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